Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A computer program product, stored on a machine-readable medium, comprising instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to:

search a document for one or more unambiguous words, where unambiguous words are words that do not contain an ambiguous typesetting placeholder;

automatically add the one or more unambiguous words to a dictionary;

search the a document for one or more ambiguous words, where ambiguous words are words that do contain an words that are ambiguous because they contain one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders; and to

use the a dictionary to resolve the one or more ambiguous words by resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders occurring in each ambiguous word.

2.   (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 1 27, wherein the instruction to automatically add the one or more non-ambiguous words to a the dictionary comprises instructions to add the one or more non-ambiguous words to an initially empty dictionary.

3.   (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim ~~1~~ 27, wherein the instruction to automatically add the one or more non-ambiguous words to ~~a~~ the dictionary comprises instructions to add the one or more non-ambiguous words to a dictionary containing one or more ~~unambiguous~~ words located in one or more documents that have been previously processed by the computer program.

4.   (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 1, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary to resolve the one or more ambiguous words by resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in each ambiguous ~~word,~~ comprises instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to:

create a set of candidate solutions for ~~the~~ each ambiguous word, wherein each ~~candidate~~ solution in the set of candidate solutions comprises one or more character strings created by uniquely resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous ~~word,~~ ~~and wherein the set of candidate solutions comprises all possible combinations of resolutions of the one or more typesetting placeholders~~;

search the dictionary for the one or more character strings in each ~~candidate~~ solution in the set of candidate solutions; and

use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in ~~the~~ each ambiguous word.

5.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to create a set of candidate solutions for an ambiguous word having N binary-resolvable typesetting placeholder ambiguities, comprises instructions to create a set of 2^N candidate solutions.

6.   (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to create a~~ one member of the set of candidate solutions when the dictionary search matches only that member of the set of candidate solutions.

7.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to prompt a user to manually resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word when the dictionary search fails to match any member of the set of candidate solutions.

8.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to prompt a user to manually resolve the one or

more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word when the dictionary search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

9. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to create the~~ a member of the set of candidate solutions having the largest word when the dictionary search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

10. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 9, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to create the~~ a member of the set of candidate solutions having the fewest words when the dictionary search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

11. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 4, wherein the instruction to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to create the~~ a

member of the set of candidate solutions having the smallest word when the dictionary search

matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

12. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 11, wherein the instruction

to use the dictionary search result to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders

in the ambiguous word, further comprises instructions to resolve the one or more ambiguous

typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to create the~~ a

member of the set of candidate solutions having the most words when the dictionary search

matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

13. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim [4] 1, wherein the

ambiguous typesetting placeholders comprise hyphens resolvable as hard hyphens or soft

hyphens.

14. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim ~~14~~ 13, further comprising

instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to output the character code for the

correct ambiguity resolution.

15. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim [4] 1, wherein the

ambiguous typesetting placeholders comprise white space between characters resolvable as blank

space or kerning space.

16.   (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim ~~16~~ 15, further comprising

instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to add space to an ambiguous white

space resolved to be blank space and to remove space from an ambiguous white space resolved

to be kerning space.

17.   (Currently Amended) A computer program product, stored on a machine-readable

medium, comprising instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to:

~~search the document for one or more unambiguous words, where unambiguous words are~~

~~words that do not contain an ambiguous typesetting placeholder;~~

~~automatically add the one or more unambiguous words to a dictionary;~~

search ~~the~~ a document for ~~an ambiguous word, where an ambiguous word is~~ a word that

is ambiguous because it ~~does~~ contains an ambiguous typesetting placeholder;

create a set of candidate solutions for the ambiguous word, wherein each ~~candidate~~

solution in the set of candidate solutions comprises one or more character strings created by

uniquely resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the ambiguous word~~,~~

~~and wherein the set of candidate solutions comprises all possible combinations of resolutions of~~

~~the one or more typesetting placeholders~~;

search ~~the~~ a dictionary for the one or more character strings in each ~~candidate~~ solution in

the set of candidate solutions of the ambiguous word; and, based on the dictionary search results,

to:

resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with

~~the one or more resolutions used to create~~ a member of the set of candidate solutions when the

dictionary search matches only that member of the set of candidate solutions;

prompt a user to manually resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting

placeholders when the dictionary search fails to match any member of the set of candidate

solutions; ~~and to~~ or

prompt a user to manually resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting

placeholders when the dictionary search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate

solutions.

18.   (Currently Amended) A method for resolving an ambiguous word in an electronic

document, comprising:

~~searching the document for unambiguous words, where unambiguous words are words~~

~~that do not contain one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders;~~

~~automatically adding the unambiguous words to a dictionary;~~

searching ~~the~~ <u>a</u> document for ~~an ambiguous word, where an ambiguous word is~~ a word

that <u>is ambiguous because it</u> contains one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders; and

using ~~the~~ <u>a</u> dictionary to resolve the ambiguous word by resolving the one or more

ambiguous typesetting placeholders occurring in the word.

19.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 18, wherein the step of using the dictionary

to resolve the ambiguous word by resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders,

further comprises:

creating a set of candidate solutions for ~~each~~ the ambiguous word, wherein each

~~candidate~~ solution in the set of candidate solutions comprises one or more character strings

created by uniquely resolving the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in the

ambiguous word~~, and wherein the set of candidate solutions comprises all possible typesetting~~

~~placeholder resolution combinations~~;

searching the dictionary for the one or more character strings in each ~~candidate~~ solution

in the set of candidate solutions; and

using the dictionary search to resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting

placeholders in the ambiguous word.

20.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 19, further comprising resolving the one or

more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to~~

~~create~~ a member of the set of candidate solutions when the dictionary search only matches that

member of the set of candidate solutions.

21.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 19, further comprising prompting a user to

manually resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders when the dictionary search

fails to match any member of the set of candidate solutions.

22.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 19, further comprising prompting a user to

manually resolve the one or more ambiguous typesetting placeholders when the dictionary search

matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

23.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 19, further comprising resolving the one or

more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to~~

~~create the~~ a member of the set of candidate solutions having the largest word when the dictionary

search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

24.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 19, further comprising resolving the one or

more ambiguous typesetting placeholders in conformity with ~~the one or more resolutions used to~~

~~create the~~ a member of the set of candidate solution having the smallest word when the

dictionary search matches a plurality of members of the set of candidate solutions.

25.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 18, wherein the ambiguous typesetting

placeholders comprise ambiguous hyphens resolvable into hard hyphens or soft hyphens, further

comprising outputting the character code for the correct ambiguity resolution.

26.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~20~~ 18, wherein the ambiguous typesetting

placeholder comprises an ambiguous white space between characters resolvable to a blank space

or a kerning space, further comprising adding space to an ambiguous white space resolved to be

blank space and removing space from an ambiguous white space resolved to be kerning space.

27.   (New) The computer program of claim 1, further comprising instructions operable to

cause a programmable processor to:

      identify one or more words in a document that are not ambiguous because they do not

contain any ambiguous typesetting placeholders; and to

      automatically add the one or more words that are not ambiguous to the dictionary.